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Amendments to the Claims:

Using the Revised Format of Amendments, permitted as of January 31, 2003, the following is a complete listing of the claims of this application, with the 1 currently amended claim, claim 54, marked up to indicate changes, where deletions are indicated by strikethrough and additions indicated by underline.

Claims 1-53 (canceled)

Claim 54 (currently amended): A method for treating a subject having glomerulonephritis mediated by anti-double stranded (ds)-DNA antibodies ~~in a subject in need of such treatment~~ comprising administering to said subject at least one peptide in an amount effective to bind to ~~which binds~~ an anti-double stranded DNA antibody in the subject ~~in an amount effective to treat glomerulonephritis~~, wherein said peptide comprises a D-amino acid sequence of X1-Trp-X1-Tyr-X2, wherein X1 represents Asp or Glu, and X2 represents Gly or Ser.

Claim 55 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 56 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-15 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 57 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-10 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 58 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5 D-amino acids in length.

Claims 59-70 (canceled)

Claim 71 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 amino acids in length and comprises d-Asp-Trp-Glu-Tyr-Ser.